

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 21-24 without prejudice, and amend the claims as follows:

1-25. (Canceled)

26. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ An electroless processing system ~~of claim 21,~~
comprising:

a factory interface having a substrate transfer robot positioned therein, the factory
interface being configured to communicate with at least one substrate containing cassette;
and

at least two substrate processing modules in detachable communication with the
factory interface, each of the at least two substrate processing modules including a
pretreatment/post treatment cell and an electroless processing cell, wherein the at least
two substrate processing modules are interchangeable.

27. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ An electroless processing system ~~of claim 21,~~
comprising:

a factory interface having a substrate transfer robot positioned therein, the factory
interface being configured to communicate with at least one substrate containing cassette;
and

at least two substrate processing modules in detachable communication with the
factory interface, each of the at least two substrate processing modules including a
pretreatment/post treatment cell and an electroless processing cell, wherein the
pretreatment/post treatment cells are interchangeable within the processing system.

28. (Currently Amended) ~~[[The]]~~ An electroless processing system ~~of claim 21,~~
comprising:

a factory interface having a substrate transfer robot positioned therein, the factory
interface being configured to communicate with at least one substrate containing cassette;
and

at least two substrate processing modules in detachable communication with the
factory interface, each of the at least two substrate processing modules including a

pretreatment/post treatment cell and an electroless processing cell, wherein the electroless processing cells are interchangeable within the processing system.

29-31. (Canceled)